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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

: PRELIMINARY ORDER OF

- v. - FORFEITURE/

: <u>MONEY JUDGMENT</u>

ANDREW KESSLER, : 17 Cr. 33 (KMW)

Defendant.

WHEREAS, on or about January 18, 2017, ANDREW KESSLER (the "Defendant"), was charged in a one-count Information, 17 Cr. 33 (KMW) (the "Information"), with theft of government funds of the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 641 (Count One);

WHEREAS, the Information included a forfeiture allegation as to Count One, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, Untied States Code, Section 2461 of any and all property constituting or derived from any proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Information, including but not limited to a sum of United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Information;

WHEREAS, on or about January 18, 2017, the Defendant pled guilty to Count One of the Information;

WHEREAS, the Government asserts that \$13,961 in United States currency represents property constituting, or derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Information that the Defendant personally obtained;

WHEREAS, the Government seeks a money judgment in the amount of \$13,961 in United States currency, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461, representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Information that the Defendant personally obtained; and

WHEREAS, the Court finds that, as a result of acts and/or omissions of the Defendant, the proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count One of the Information that the Defendant personally obtained cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. As a result of the offense charged in Count One of the Information, to which the Defendant pled guilty, a money judgment in the amount of \$13,961 in United States currency (the "Money Judgment"), representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count One of the Information that the Defendant personally obtained, shall be entered against the Defendant.
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment is final as to the Defendant, ANDREW KESSLER, and shall be deemed part of the sentence of the Defendant, and shall be included in the judgment of conviction therewith.
- 3. All payments on the outstanding money judgment shall be made by postal money order, bank or certified check, made payable, in this instance, to the United States Marshals Service, and delivered by mail to the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York, Attn: Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007 and shall indicate the Defendant's name and case number.

4. The United States Marshals Service is authorized to deposit the payments

on the Money Judgment in the Assets Forfeiture Fund, and the United States shall have clear title

to such forfeited property.

5 Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), the United States

is authorized to seek forfeiture of substitute assets of the Defendant up to the uncollected amount

of the Money Judgment.

6. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the

United States Attorney's Office is authorized to conduct any discovery needed to identify, locate

or dispose of forfeitable property, including depositions, interrogatories, requests for production

of documents and the issuance of subpoenas.

7. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Preliminary Order of

Forfeiture/Money Judgment, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to Rule 32.2 of the Federal

Rules of Criminal Procedure.

8. The Clerk of the Court shall forward three certified copies of this

Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment to Assistant United States Attorney Alexander

J. Wilson, Co-Chief of the Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, United

States Attorney's Office, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007.

SO ORDERED:

/s/ Kimba M. Wood

November 30, 2020

HONORABLE KIMBA M. WOOD UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATE